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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I was dismayed to learn that US Telecom association was petitioning to change critical aspects of the 1996 Telecommunications Act that would reduce the competitive landscape for Broadband. I previously was constrained to the poor service of Comcast and then AT&T in areas I lived (Seattle and San Francisco) for the past decade. This poor service was manifest as slow and frequently disrupted internet, and very little, or easy access to, customer service when the Broadband went down. About 2 years ago I switched fiber service, which was only available through SONIC in my neighborhood. What a HUGE change on three levels: incredibly fast internet speeds, friendly and rapid service and very reasonable pricing (cheaper than the other larger corporations were offering with slower speeds).

I implore you to NOT change the rules that would reduce the competitiveness that I believe facilitated the ability of SONIC (and others) to offer excellent service and access to the best Broadband options.

Sincerely,

Daniel Gottschling